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SUBJECT:KOREA IN 28TH UNGA

REF: MOSCOW 10954

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED CONVEY FOLLOWING POINTS IN RESPONSE TO
TIMERBAYEV QUESTIONS PARA 5 REFTEL.

2. RE ADMISSION OF ROK AND DPRK TO UN, SOVIETS SHOULD NOTE
CAREFULLY LANGUAGE OF PARA 3 OF OMNIBUS RESOLUTION CO-
SPONSORED BY US AND OTHERS. (USUN 3093 REPEATED MOSCOW)
WE BELIEVE LANGUAGE IS PERMISSIVE, NOT COMPULSORY, AND DOES
NOT PREJUDICE EVENTUAL REUNIFICATION. AS IN CASE OF FRG/
GDR ADMISSION, IT WOULD ACCORD WITH CURRENT REALITY AND
WITH WIDELY-HELD DESIRE FOR "UNIVERSALITY/ IN
INTERNATIONAL BODIES, AND WOULD ENHANCE PROSPECTS FOR
MAINTAINING PEACE AND STABILITY IN AREA. WE DO NOT INTEND
RAISE ISSUE IN SECURITY COUNCIL AT PRESENT TIME.

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3. RE DPRK PARTICIPATION IN DEBATE, US AND OTHERS HAVE NEVER MAINTAINED DPRK "MUST RECOGNIZE PREVIOUS UN DECISIONS" (RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE GA THROUGH 1970 INVITED THE DPRK PROVIDED IT FIRST ACCEPT COMPETENCE AND AUTHORITY OF UN TO DEAL WITH KOREAN QUESTION.) POINT IS ACADEMIC THIS YEAR SINCE US, SOVS, AND OTHERS APPEAR INCLINED TO AGREE TO CONSENSUS IN FIRST COMMITTEE THAT DPRK AND ROK REPS SHOULD BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN DEBATE WITHOUT CONDITIONS.

4. RE SOVIET SUPPORT OF DPRK POSITION ON UN COMMAND AND FOREIGN FORCES, YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE OUR VIEW 28TH GA RESOLUTION ON DISBANDING UNC WOULD BE DESTABILIZING POLITICAL FACT AS WELL AS LEGALLY WITHOUT EFFECT. FUNDAMENTAL TO BROADER US INTERESTS IS MAINTENANCE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT, INCLUDING CEASE-FIRE, AND DEMILITARIZED ZONE IN KOREA. PARTIES CONCERNED MUST WORK OUT SATISFACTORY ALTERNATE ARRANGEMENTS BEFORE FUTURE OF UNC CAN BE CONSTRUCTIVELY ADDRESSED.

5. SOVIET STATEMENT THAT DPRK VIEW IS THAT ROK COULD TAKE OVER UNC FUNCTIONS AND IS REGARDED AS TECHNICAL QUESTION IS NEW ELEMENT. AT YOUR DISCRETION BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO PROBE USSR CAUTIOUSLY ON THIS POINT TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER COMMENT IS VARIANT OR SHORTHAND REFERENCE TO STANDING NORTH KOREAN DESIRE FOR PEACE TREATY BETWEEN TWO SIDES OR WHETHER DPRK IN FACT PREPARED TO LEAVE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT AND MACHINERY IN PLACE WITH ROKG ASSUMING UNC FUNCTION. WE WISH UNDERLINE NEED FOR CAUTION SINCE TAKING OVER UNC FUNCTIONS WOULD INVOLVE MAJOR POLITICAL DECISIONS FOR ROKG AND THEREFORE WE DO NOT WANT TO EXHIBIT UNDUE INTEREST TO SOVS.

6. WILL APPRECIATE FURTHER REPORT. KISSINGER

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